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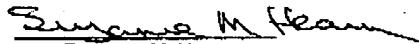
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Beckous et al.) Group Art Unit: 2829
Serial No.: 10/618,475) Examiner: P. H. Patel
Filed July 11, 2003)
For: Method and Apparatus for a High Frequency Impedance Controlled Probing Device <u>With Flexible Ground Contacts</u>) <i>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to 703- 872-9306; Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 17, 2005.</i>

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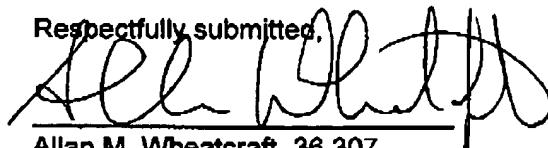
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time for three (3) months, to and including March 22, 2005, be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) in order to extend the period for response to the outstanding rejection of September 22, 2004.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 07-1729 for the required fee, and for any additional charges that may be incurred.

Respectfully submitted,



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